

Reasonably Available Control Technology Analysis



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RACT - Basics



- Moderate Ozone NAAs are required to implement RACT
- RACT level controls required for:
 - All VOC sources subject to a CTG
 - All major VOC and NOx sources
- RACT - “lowest emission limitation that a particular source is capable of meeting by the application of control technology that is reasonably available considering technological and economic feasibility”
- RACT analysis must reflect the “latest information”

RACT Analysis Request



- Regulation 7 - Section XIX.B Major Sources
 - 16 Sources
 - Must submit a RACT analysis by December 31, 2017

	Source	Source ID	Unit Type	Emissions Points
1	Anheuser-Busch	069-0060	Brewing	all points \geq 2 tpy VOC and \geq 5 tpy NOx
2	Buckley Air Force	005-0028	Engines/test cell	102, 103, 104, 105, 101
3	Carestream Health	123-6250	Boiler	004
4	Colorado State University	069-0011	Boilers	003, 005, 007, 013
5	IBM	013-0006	Engines & boilers	088, 090, 001, 011, 095
6	MillerCoors Golden Brewery	059-0006	Brewing	all points \geq 2 tpy VOC and \geq 5 tpy NOx
7	MMI/EtOH	059-0828	Brewing waste	all points \geq 2 tpy VOC and \geq 5 tpy NOx
8	Nutri-Turf	123-0497	Brewing waste	all points \geq 2 tpy VOC and \geq 5 tpy NOx
9	Owens-Brockway Glass	123-4406	Glass melt furnaces	all points \geq 5 tpy NOx (001-023, 025)
10	Public Service Company - Cherokee	001-0001	Turbines	028, 029
11	Public Service Company - Fort Saint Vrain	123-0023	Turbines & Boilers	010, 011, 001
12	Rocky Mountain Bottle	059-0008	Glass melt furnaces	001
13	Suncor	001-0003	Boilers	309, 019, 021, 023
14	Tri-State G & T - Frank Knutson	001-1349	Turbines	001, 003
15	TXI	059-0409	Shale Kiln	001
16	University of Colorado - Power House & East	013-0553	Boilers	001, 002, 012, 013
	University of Colorado - Williams Village	013-0019	Boilers	001, 002

Sooner if Possible

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Sooner if Possible

- Other Major Sources

- 9 Sources

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	Source	Source ID	Unit Type	Emissions Points
1	Colorado Energy Nations Company	059-0820	Boilers	001, 002
2	Colorado Interstate Gas - Latigo Compressor Station	005-0055	Engines	001, 011
3	Colorado Interstate Gas - Watkins Compressor Station	001-0036	Engines	001, 002, 005
4	Public Service Company - Denver Steam	031-0041	Boilers	001, 002
5	Public Service Company - Fort Lupton	123-0014	Turbines	001, 002
6	Public Service Company - Valmont	031-0001	Turbine	002
7	Public Service Company - Zuni	031-0007	Boilers	001, 002, 003
8	Kerr-McGee Gathering - Platte Valley Gas Plant	123-0057	Turbine & Engines	052, 038 - 041, 044, 047-049
9	WGR Wattenberg Gas Processing Plant	001-0025	Boiler, Turbine & Engines	012, 021, 004, 018

Considerations



- Differences in RACT - SIP vs. permit
 - categorical vs. source specific
 - existing vs. new/modified
- Reasonably available, technologically and economically feasible
- RACT may range from nothing more to work practices to add-on controls
- 2008 vs. 2015 O₃ standard

RACT Analysis - General



- Emission Point Specific
- Pollutant Specific
 - NO_x, VOC
- RACT analysis needs to consider all typical control technologies for the emission unit or point
 - Control Technology - can mean a control device or work practice
 - Top-down ranking by most effective at emission reductions (tons/year)
 - Annualized (based on equipment life) costs per ton of pollutant reduced
 - Can use EPA Air Pollution Control Cost Manual
 - ✦ <https://www.epa.gov/economic-and-cost-analysis-air-pollution-regulations/cost-reports-and-guidance-air-pollution#cost>
 - Other Resources
 - ✦ RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse
 - ✦ Ozone Transport Region

RACT Analysis - Content



- **Description of Emissions Unit or Point**
 - Manufacturer and unit power rating on primary fuel
 - Date unit placed into service
 - Type of control technology (or could include work practice) already in use for applicable pollutants
 - Date of installation or implementation of current control technology
 - Estimate of current control technology effectiveness
 - ✦ Capture
 - ✦ Control Efficiency

RACT Analysis - Content (continued)



- Top-down evaluation of all potential emission control technologies available
 - List each available (prevalent) control technology for each applicable pollutant
 - Describe the control technology
 - Discussion of technological feasibility of each control technology
 - Evaluate control effectiveness of each technically feasible control technology
 - Determine actual emissions reduction for each technically feasible control technology

RACT Analysis - Content (continued)



- **Determination of Control Technology Cost (includes work practice)**
 - Capital cost of each control technology evaluated
 - ✦ Cost of device or equipment and materials
 - ✦ Vendor bid documentation is preferred
 - One-time costs
 - ✦ Delivery, engineering, labor, equipment and incidental costs
 - ✦ Installation and startup costs
 - Annual operation and maintenance costs
 - ✦ Maintenance, equipment replacement (e.g. catalyst), monitoring
 - Indirect and Other costs
 - ✦ Overhead, administration, taxes, insurance, contingency
 - Description and estimate of potential cost savings
 - Calculate total annualized cost of control technology
 - ✦ Determine \$/ton cost for each control or work practice
- **Provide RACT recommendation for the unit based on technological and economic feasibility**
 - Include proposed monitoring methods or options

RACT Analysis - Content (continued)



- **Cost Amortization Considerations**
 - Standard assumption for interest rate
 - ✦ 2014 O&G rulemaking used 5-6% interest rate
 - Standard assumption for useful life of equipment
 - ✦ Depends on equipment or work practice
 - ✦ 2014 O&G rulemaking used 5-15 years depending on equipment or work practice
 - Other cost assumptions
 - ✦ Can use EPA Cost Manual
- **Potential example templates for RACT analysis**
 - <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/regional-haze-plan>
- **Division working on very basic guidelines/expectations for RACT analysis**

Example Engine RACT Cost Calculations

VOC Analysis for Spark-Ignited 4-Stroke Lean Burn RICE

Source Information

Manufacturer: **Caterpillar**

Model: **G3412CLE**

Classification: **SI-4S-LB**

Rating (horsepower): **586**

Assumptions

Useful Life-Control Equipment (years): 10

Catalyst Replacement (years): 5

Annual Interest Rate (%): 5%

Emissions

VOC Emissions: **2.285**

Oxidation Catalyst Control Efficiency: **50%**

Annual VOC Emissions Reduced (post control in tons/year): **1.142**

Costs

Capital (Direct)

Oxidation Catalyst: \$ 8,330

Material: \$ 2,848

Structural Support: \$ 7,125

Annualized Capital Costs: \$ 2,981

Construction

Labor: \$ 10,454

Equipment: \$ 3,833

Incidental & Miscellaneous (assume 10% Engr/Comm/Labor/Equip): \$ 1,429

Delivery (5% of Capital & Construction Cost): \$ 1,630

Annualized Construction Costs: \$ 2,825

Annual

Maintenance & Monitoring (\$/yr): \$ 4,000

Annualized Costs: \$ 4,000

Replacement (Annualized)

Catalyst (every 5-years): \$ 2,126

Install/Construction (10% of Original): \$ 2,732

Annualized Replacement Costs: \$ 1,240

Other

Taxes (assume 8% of Capital): \$ 239

Contingency (assume 10% of Capital & Construction): \$ 581

Annualized Replacement Costs: \$ 819

Indirect

Overhead (60% of all labor plus maintenance materials-EPA Cost Manual): \$ 8,672

Administration (2% of total capital investment-EPA Cost Manual): \$ 366

Property Taxes (1% of total capital investment-EPA Cost Manual): \$ 183

Insurance (1% of total capital investment-EPA Cost Manual): \$ 183

Annualized Indirect Costs: \$ 1,532

Capital Cost Recovery

NPV (net present value): \$9,861.94

CRF (capital recovery factor): 0.2309748

Capital Recovery = [NPV * CRF]; see EPA Cost Manual-EQ. 2.8: \$2,277.86

Annualized Capital Recovery Costs: \$ 2,278

Total of Annualized Costs: \$ 15,676

Cost Effectiveness

VOC control cost (Total Annualized Costs/Annual VOC Emissions Reduced): **\$ 13,723**

Questions



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